

# town voice

THE TOWN OF MOORESVILLE  
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## MEETINGS THIS MONTH:

August 2

*Board of Commissioners Meeting*

The Board of Commissioners will meet August 2 at Town Hall, 413 North Main Street. The meeting may also be viewed virtually at [mooresvillenc.gov/live](https://mooresvillenc.gov/live).

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August 4

*Environmental Protection Commission*

The EPC will hold its monthly meeting on August 4 at Town Hall at 6:30 p.m.

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August 5

*Historic Preservation Commission*

The HPC will hold its monthly meeting on August 5 at Town Hall at 6 p.m.

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August 12

*Planning Board*

The Planning Board will hold its monthly meeting on August 12 at Town Hall at 6 p.m.

## 2021 Citizens Academy

**This fall, Town welcomes residents back for inside look**

The 2021 Mooresville Citizens Academy is kicking off on September 9, and sign-ups are open now! The Citizens Academy gives Town residents an inside look at our services and facilities, along with meeting the people who bring those services to your homes each day.

Two sessions of the Academy will be offered each Thursday, one in the morning from 9 a.m. to noon, and the other in the evening, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Up to fifteen people can be included in each session, and the deadline to apply is August 20. The Academy is free, and will incorporate interactive talks and presentations, tours, and live demonstrations.

Applications for the 2021 Citizens Academy will be available online at [www.mooresvillenc.gov](https://www.mooresvillenc.gov) or in person at Town Hall, 413 North Main Street. Questions about this year's academy? Contact Megan Pleasant at 704-799-4232 or email [mpleasant@mooresvillenc.gov](mailto:mpleasant@mooresvillenc.gov).



# Liberty Park Concert Series

Summer fun planned with new Our Town Stage shows



Our Town Stage is excited to welcome the Liberty Park 2021 Summer Concert Series at the Liberty Park Amphitheater.

One of country music's most successful new acts, Parmalee, is set to perform on August 6. Heralded as "Country Music's Breakout Stars" by MSN Entertainment, Parmalee has supported Brad Paisley and Jake Owen on national tours, and these platinum-selling band of brothers are not only a 2016 American Country Music "New Vocal Duo/Group of the Year" nominee but are also one of only four groups since 2001 to earn three consecutive Top 10 singles from a debut country album.

Continuing the series line-up is popular beach band The Catalinas, who are scheduled for August 20. The Catalinas have enjoyed continued success for more than 35 years, and are known for their recordings, thousands of live performances including many concerts, and the antics of their very lively shows.

As one of the longest-running bands on the East Coast beach music scene, Band of Oz will round out the concert series with their August 27 perfor-

mance. As one of the most successful groups in the Southeast, The Band of Oz features a full horn section and a dynamic eight-member group.

All concerts are free, open to the public, and will be held at the Liberty Park Amphitheater. For each show, the venue opens at 4 p.m. Concert start times are 6 p.m. for The Legacy Mo-town Revue, The Catalinas and Band of Oz, while Parmalee will kick off at 6:30 p.m.

Vendors and food trucks will be set up an hour prior to the performance. Alcohol can be purchased from local beer vendors and must be accompanied by a wristband, which is available for purchase for \$1 at the entrance. For more information about the series, and venue rules, visit [www.ourtown-stage.com](http://www.ourtown-stage.com).

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Instagram, Vimeo, &  
YouTube. Visit  
[moorevillenc.gov/431/](http://moorevillenc.gov/431/)  
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more!**

## All ages Comicon coming to The Charles Mack Citizen Center this month

Get ready to strut your superhero stuff and live out your dreams as your favorite character this summer at the MoTown Con, hosted at The Charles Mack Citizen Center on August 21.

The Mooresville Public Library will partner with Luna Nera Creations, a local cosplay group, to create a comic-con event for all ages. The event will feature photo opportunities with the green screen, art and costume contests for teens, vendors, and authors, as well as a special appearance by the car Malibu Dabi.

Teen Librarian Megan Mosher said she is "excited to partner with Luna Nera Creations to host the library's first comic-con."

"We have partnered for the last several months to offer a teen cosplay program at the library on the third Saturday each month, and it has been well attended," said Mosher. "What I love about cosplay and comic-cons is they allow people of all backgrounds to connect on a common interest and gives the opportunity to be creative. Programs like this bring the community together, address the importance of literacy, and offer many other artistic, educational, and cultural opportunities; it's everything a library hopes to provide to patrons."

All ages are invited to come in costume, but teens are especially encouraged to participate, as the art and costume competitions are limited to ages 13-18. The event will be taking place from 11-4:30 p.m. at The Charles Mack Citizen Center.

For further questions about MoTown Con, please contact Megan Mosher at [mmosher@moorevillenc.gov](mailto:mmosher@moorevillenc.gov) or by calling the library at 704-799-4161.

# HAPPENING AROUND TOWN

## Town of Mooresville Events & Offerings

**Mooresville Farmers Market** The Mooresville Farmers Market is still going strong, and residents can pop by the market each Saturday until the end of September from 8 a.m. to noon. Multiple vendors are on site at Liberty Park, offering fresh produce for healthy eating, as well as a selection of home-made goods like salsa, butter, honey, bread, eggs, cheese, soaps, cookies, juices and more. Each booth offers a wide variety of new goods to try along with an expert who can answer your questions. Additionally, a new craft is available each week for the kids, so make sure to bring the whole family and let them create something fun and educational while you shop.

**Diversity and Inclusion Book Club** The Mayor's Diversity & Inclusion Taskforce is teaming up with the Mooresville Public Library to offer the Diversity & Inclusion Book Club on August 25. This month's book will be "The Yellow House" by Sarah M. Broom. Books are available at the Mooresville Public Library for pick-up. The club will meet at 6:30 p.m., and questions can be sent to Alison Duncan at aelster618@gmail.com.

**Rain Barrels Available** The Town of Mooresville still has rain barrels available for residents! Rain barrels promote conservation and save you money on your water bills by harvesting water from your gutters to use on your plants and in your garden. Rain barrels also help reduce stormwater pollution. The barrels are \$90 for a 60-gallon barrel and \$100 for an 80-gallon barrel. Questions? Contact 704-663-3800.




**Be a Volunteer** The Town of Mooresville is recruiting volunteers! Being a volunteer with the Town is a great way to be engaged and involved in a wide variety of activities such as coaching youth athletics, tutoring or assisting at the Town library. As a volunteer, you can learn more about your local government and make your community a better place to live, work and play. In addition to individual opportunities, there are group and youth opportunities available as well. To find out more about volunteering with the Town, visit mooresvillenc.galaxydigital.com.

**DIVERSITY  
&  
INCLUSION  
BOOK CLUB**

Join us for a discussion of The Yellow House by Sarah M. Broom

- Wednesday, August 25th, 2021 at 6:30 pm at the Mooresville Public Library
- Books available for pickup starting July 28th at the library
- Questions? Contact Alison Duncan, aelster618@gmail.com



As 2021 is a year following a federal decennial census, some municipalities must evaluate and revise existing electoral district boundaries to account for growth and population changes. Since the recent census data has been delayed, several municipalities, including Mooresville, are still waiting for the population numbers to know what changes must be made.

On June 15, the North Carolina General Assembly ratified Session Law 2021-56, which requires elections for all seats that are subject to electoral districts be delayed until 2022, so district boundaries for the election district can be revised to account for population changes shown by the census data. The bill became law on June 28 without the signature of the Governor.

This bill provides a revised schedule for delayed 2021 municipal elections, with an option to conduct the election for at-large members, according to the schedule.

Under the current election cycle, elections for Mayor, Ward 3 Commissioner, Ward 4 Commissioner, and one At-Large Commissioner seat are up for election in 2021. However, in accordance with the provisions and requirements of Session Law 2021-56, Ward 3 and Ward 4 elections must be delayed until 2022 to allow for redistricting.

The Town of Mooresville has retained Local Redistricting Service consultants to provide nonpartisan redistricting expertise and assist with revising the Town's electoral districts. The process encourages public input and will take place in open public meetings once the census data has been received.

Mooresville's Board of Commissioners has decided to hold elections in 2021 for offices that are elected at-large and would otherwise be scheduled for election in 2021 (Mayor and one Commissioner At-Large). The 2021 Municipal Election filing dates for At-Large candidates in the Town of Mooresville begins July 26 at noon and closes August 13 at noon. If a primary is necessary, it will be held October 5. The election will be held November 2.

**DEPARTMENT  
PHONE NUMBERS**

Business Office  
704-663-3800

Employment/Human  
Resources  
704-799-4070

Fire (Non-Emergency)  
704-664-1338

Golf Course  
704-663-2539

Winnie Hooper Center  
704-663-0033

Library  
704-664-2927

Charles Mack Citizen  
Center  
704-662-3334

Planning  
704-662-7040

Police (Non-Emergency)  
704-664-3311

Recreation  
704-663-7026

Sanitation  
704-664-4278

Selma Burke Center  
704-799-4035

War Memorial  
704-663-2670

Water  
704-663-3800

Zoning  
704-662-7040

# FACILITY HIGHLIGHT: War Memorial Recreation Center



The Town of Mooresville's War Memorial Center was the vision of several local civic clubs after World War II. These clubs established a Civic Planning Council, whose main purpose was to secure land and build a center as a memorial to World War I and II veterans.

They held fundraising campaigns to help make the 15.5 acre community center area (which includes the War Memorial Building, tennis courts, a swimming pool, a nature area, and Liberty Park) a reality.

The War Memorial Center's outdoor pool is a community highlight and typically operates from Memorial Day weekend until Labor Day. The majority of pool staff are usually comprised of college students during the summer, who serve as life-guards and by selling concessions. The pool is open except during swim lessons or private rentals.



**ELECTED  
OFFICIALS**

Miles Atkins  
Mayor

Eddie Dinger  
Ward I  
Commissioner

Thurman Houston  
Ward II  
Commissioner

Barbara Whittington  
Ward III  
Commissioner

Lisa Qualls  
Ward IV  
Commissioner, Mayor  
Pro Tem

Gary West  
At-Large  
Commissioner

Bobby Compton  
At-Large  
Commissioner

**TOWN  
OFFICIALS**

Randy Hemann  
Town Manager

Beau Falgout  
Asst. Town Manager

Ryan Rase  
Asst. Town Manager

Sharon Crawford  
Town Attorney

Genevieve Glaser  
Town Clerk